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Hongkong, October 17, 1896. 846

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Yangtsze Insurance Association, Ltd.
GEORGE L. TOMLIN, *Acting Secretary,*
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
WM. MACBEAN, *Manager,*
The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, January 29, 1897. 203

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, on TUESDAY, the 2nd February, Proximo.

For the 'Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China,' T. H. WHITEHEAD, *Manager, Hongkong.*
For the 'Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,' T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*
For 'The National Bank of China, Limited,' GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, *Chief Manager.*
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For the 'Banque de l'Indo-Chine, Hongkong Agency,' M. LACAZE, *pro Manager.*
For the 'Bank of China and Japan, Ltd.,' Hongkong, CHANTREY INGHBALD, *Manager.*
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

DURING my ABSENCE and until further Notice MR. MOWBRAY STAFFORD NORTHCOTE has been appointed Acting Secretary.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 26, 1897. 184

NOTICE.

THE Interest and RESPONSIBILITY of MR. M. D. EZEKIEL in our FIRM in HONGKONG and SHANGHAI has ceased on the 31st December, 1896.
E. D. SASSOON & Co.
Hongkong, January 28, 1897. 199

Intimations.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.
No. 73.

THE CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS will be observed at this OFFICE and the KOWLOON CUSTOMS STATIONS from the 28TH of the 12TH MOON to the 3RD DAY of the 1ST MOON (30TH JANUARY to the 4TH FEBRUARY, both days inclusive), and during that Period all Shipment, Discharge, and Examination of Cargo will be suspended.
H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District.
CUSTOM HOUSE,
Kowloon, 25th January, 1897. 172

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Seventh Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICE of the Company Pedder's Street, at Noon on SATURDAY, 6th February, to receive a Statement of the Company's Accounts to the 31st December, 1896, and the Report of the General Manager.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 31st Instant to the 8th Proximo, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 16, 1897. 139

Intimations.

THE DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING and DINNER of the above Society will be held at the HONGKONG CLUB, on WEDNESDAY, the 10th February.
Members of the Society desirous of attending the Dinner are requested to notify the undersigned on or before SATURDAY, the 6th February.
R. K. LEIGH, *Hon. Secretary.*
Hongkong, January 20, 1897. 144

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 13th day of February Next, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Account to 31st December, 1896.
By order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, January 27, 1897. 189

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 30th January Current, to SATURDAY, the 13th day of February Next, (both days inclusive), during which Period no Transfer of SHARES can be REGISTERED.
By order of the Court of Directors,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, January 27, 1897.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Twenty-Eighth ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 15th February, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1896.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 16th Idem, both days inclusive.
By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, January 26, 1897. 170

Entertainments.

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SAM MARKS, *Manager,*

Hongkong, January 30, 1897. 171

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5. Song, 'O, Divine Redeemer!' ... ... *Ch. Gounod.*

MRS STANLEY.

6. Fastasia (in the form of an Offertoire) ... ... *B. Tours.*

Hongkong, January 28, 1897. 197

Intimations.

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Eighth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, 1897, at 12 o'clock (Noon), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Twelve Months ending the 31st Dec., 1896.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 29th January to TUESDAY, the 9th Feb., 1897, (both days inclusive), during which Period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ld.;
Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld.

Hongkong, January 18, 1897. 133

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, No. 14, Praya Central, on MONDAY, the 22nd February, 1897, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1896.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd February, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,

THOS. I. ROSE, *Secretary,*

Hongkong, January 28, 1897. 196

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Hongkong, January 30, 1897. 209

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

In the Matter of the Estate of WALTER CANDLER, Secretary of the British Mercantile Marine Officers Association, Victoria, Hongkong, *Deceased.*

NOTICE is hereby given that His Honour Sir JOHN WORRELL CARRINGTON, Kt., C.M.G., D.C.L., LL.D., Chief Justice, has, by virtue of Section 3 of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, made an Order limiting to the 1st MARCH, 1897, the time for sending in CLAIMS against the said Estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send in their CLAIMS to the Undersigned before the said date.

Dated the 30th January, 1897.

J. W. NORTON KYSHE, *Registrar and Official Administrator.*

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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on FRIDAY, the 26th day of February, 1897, at 12.30 of the Clock in the Afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1896, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., *General Managers,* HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

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THE ONE GREAT EVENT OF THE CENTURY,

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No Worn-out Scenes, but Novelties.
Our Clowns are of TO-DAY, not 100 years ago.
Remember our Opening Date,
MONDAY, 1st February,
on the PRAYA FRONT.

Box Plan at Messrs. W. ROBINSON & Co.'s Piano and Music Rooms.

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THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB

WILL GIVE PERFORMANCES OF

'Les Cloches de Corneville'

on the following dates:—

Saturday, 13th February, 1897.
Monday, 15th February, 1897.
Saturday, 20th February, 1897.
Monday, 22nd February, 1897.
Wednesday, 24th February, 1897.
Saturday, 27th February, 1897.

Full Particulars as to Booking, &c., will be given later.

E. W. MITCHELL, *Hon. Secretary.*

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NEW NOVELS IN THE COLONIAL LIBRARY SERIES.

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E. W. Hornung—Rogue's March.
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A. Forbes—History, Black Watch.
J. M. Barrie—Sentimental Tommy.
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A. Hope—Heart of Princess Osra.
A. Conan Doyle—Captain of Polestar.
Frank Stockton—Mrs Cliff's Yacht.
S. R. Crockett—Grey Man.
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E. F. Benson—The Bats B. A.
Harold Frederich—Illuminations.
Thomas Hardy—Jude the Obscure.
L. T. Meade and C. Halifax—Stories from Diary of a Doctor.
Lucas Malet—The Carissima.
Marie Corelli—Murder of Delicia.
Sir Walter Besant—City of Refuge.
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I. Zangwill—The Master.

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Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	*Vessels.*	*Agents.*	*Date of Leaving.*
Australian Ports	Changsha (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 1, at 4 p.m.
Australian Ports	Chingtu (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 13, 3 p.m.
Australian Ports	Omi Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 16, at 4 p.m.
Bremen & Ports of Call	Prinz Heinrich (s)	Norddeutscher Lloyd	Feb. 2, at 9 a.m.
Japan	Ancona (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 12, at noon.
London	Formosa (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 4.
London	Canton (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About March 6.
London, v. Ports of Call	Strathay (s)	Nippon Yussen Kaisha	Feb. 6, 5 p.m.
London, v. Ports of Call	Mirzapore (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 11, at noon.
London, v. Suez Canal	Myrmidon (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 3.
London, v. Suez Canal	Priam (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 13.
Marseilles, v. Saigon	Sydney (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Feb. 3, at noon.
New York, v. Suez Canal	Port Adelaide (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	About Feb. 12.
Sandakan and Kudat	Deucalion (s)	Butterfield & Swire	February 10.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Peru (s)	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Feb. 13, at noon.
S. Francisco, v. Japan	Belgic (s)	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Feb. 4, at noon.
San Francisco	Matterhorn	Melchers & Co.	Quick despatch.
San Francisco	Sumbawa	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai	Rohilla (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 7.
S'hai, N'ki, K'be & Y'ma	Java (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 6.
S'pore, P'nang & B'bay	Bisagno (s)	Carlowitz & Co.	Feb. 1, at 5 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Arratoon Apcar (s)	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Feb. 2, daylight.
S'pore, Col'bo & B'bay	Miike Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 17, at noon.
S'pore, M'les, H'vre & H'g	Senta (s)	Siemssen & Co.	Feb. 6, at 5 p.m.
S'tow, Amoy & F'chow	Namoa (s)	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Jan. 31, daylight.
Tacoma (Wash.), &c.	Braemar (s)	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Feb. 9, at noon.
Vancouver (B.C.) &	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Feb. 17, at noon.
Victoria (B.C.), &c.	Monmouthshire (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	February 13.

To-day's Advertisements.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND at the Rate of 8 PER CENT, or $ .20 per SHARE, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held THIS DAY, will be PAYABLE at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on and after MONDAY, 1st February, 1897.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the OFFICE of the Company for WARRANTS.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

T. ARNOLD, *Secretary.*

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THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Interest of DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LIMITED, in the BUSINESS heretofore carried on by them at The VICTORIA DISPENSARY Ceased and determined on the 14TH INSTANT.

Outstanding Accounts of DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LIMITED, before the 14TH INSTANT will be Paid by the Undersigned, who will also Collect and Receive all Accounts due to the said FIRM.

The BUSINESS will be Carried on in the future under the Style of 'THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY.'

For 'THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY,'
J. R. CAPELL, *Manager.*

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NOTICE.

PEDAL ORGAN FOR SALE, 15 Stops, hand and foot blowers, &c.; Cheap.

W. ROBINSON & Co., *Piano and Organ Builders, Tuners, &c.*

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OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The Co.'s Steamship *Priam*, Captain JACKSON, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 13th February.

For Freight or passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, *Agents.*

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

January 29:—

Nestor, British str., 2,417, W. Asquith, Liverpool and Singapore Jan. 24, 6 a.m., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

January 30:—

Canton, British str., from Canton.

Cosmopolit, German steamer, 552, A. Holtz, Qunhon and Touron Jan. 27, General.—WIELER & Co.

Yiksang, British steamer, 887, D. Smith, Swatow January 28, Ballast.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

DEPARTURES.

January 30:—

Kaiser, German flagship, for a cruise.
Arcona, German cruiser, for a cruise.
M-efoo, for Canton.
Trym, for Swatow.
Dante, for Saigon.
Keong-wai, for Bangkok.
Nerite, for Kobe.
Brindisi, for Singapore and Bombay.
Lothair, for Callao.
Loongmoon, for Shanghai.
Jacob Diedrichsen, for Hoihow.
Hanoi, for Haiphong.
Kiang Pak, for Hankow.

CLEARED.

Penobscot, for New York.
Namoa, for Swatow.
Kinai Maru, for Saigon.
Bisagno, for Singapore and Bombay.
China, for Saigon.
Nestor, for Shanghai.
Siam, for Bangkok.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Nestor*, from Singapore, 115 Chinese.
Per *Cosmopolit*, from Quinhon, 10 Chinese.
Per *Yiksang*, from Swatow, 8 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Dante*, for Saigon, 50 Chinese.
Per *Lothair*, for Callao, 4 Chinese.
Per *Keong-wai*, for Bangkok, 4 Chinese.
Per *Jacob Diedrichsen*, for Hoihow, 40
Per *Hanoi*, for Haiphong, 50 Chinese.
Per *Loongmoon*, for Shanghai, Messrs Hansen, Thomas, and Gattwaldt.
Per *Verona*, for Yokohama; from Hongkong Messrs Westerburger, and A. B. MacDonald; from Brindisi, Mr Bracciolini; from Malta, Mr R. Inglott; from London, Messrs Wilson, J. Unioin, and H. Pinckney.

TO DEPART.

Per *Bisagno*, for Singapore, 20 Chinese.
Per *China*, for Saigon, 2 Europeans and 10 Chinese.
Per *Namoa*, for Swatow, Messrs A. Ross, and R. L. Richardson; for Foochow, Miss Newton and Miss Sutter.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Nestor* reports: Moderate to fresh monsoon to Pulo Sapatu; thence light variable airs, and fine to port.

POST-OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For CANTON.—
Per *Poiwan*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 31st January.

For SAMARANG & SOURABAYA.—
Per *Hwang*, at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.
Per *Changsha*, Registration at 3 p.m. Letters at 3.30 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & BOMBAY.—
Per *Bisagno*, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Bennohr*, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For BANGKOK.—
Per *Mongkut*, at 4.30 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For MANILA.—
Per *Benlawers*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—
Per *Arratoon Apcar*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 1st February.

For SINGAPORE.—
Per *Setna*, at 4.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 6th February.

For SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA.—
Per *Braemar*, at 11.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 9th February.

For KUDAT & SANDAKAN.—
Per *Deucalion*, at 2.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 10th February.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
Per *Ancona*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 12th February.

MAILS BY THE GERMAN PACKET.—
The German Contract Packet *Prinz Heinrich* will be despatched on MONDAY, the 1st February, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *vid Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, &c., &c.
Registry ceases at 4 p.m.
The mail closes at 5 p.m.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—
The French Contract Packet *Sydney* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *vid Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.—
The United States Mail Packet *Belgic* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 4th February, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10 A.M. Registry ceases.
11 A.M. Post Office closes.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.—
The British Contract Packet *Mirzapore* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 11th Feb., with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and countries beyond, *vid Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burmah, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—
The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of India* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Feb., with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—
10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
11.00 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with the Late Fee of* 10 *cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, February 2:—
Chinese New Year's Day.—Kowloon Customs close.
Chinese New Year's Day.—Local Banks close.
Chinese New Year's Day.—Insurance Offices close.

SATURDAY, February 6:—
Noon.—Meeting of The Hongkong Ice Co., Ld., at the Company's Offices, Pedders Street.

MONDAY, February 8:—
Transfer Books of The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ld., from this date to 22nd Feb., both days inclusive.

TUESDAY, February 9:—
Noon.—Meeting of The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld., at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings.

SATURDAY, February 13:—
Noon.—Meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall.
Transfer Books of The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ld., from this date to 26th February, both days inclusive.

MONDAY, February 15:—
Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of the China Fire Insurance Company, Ld., at the Company's Office No. 8, Queen's Road Central.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—*Namoa* leaves for Coast Ports.

Miscellaneous.

Goods per *Canton* not cleared after 4 p.m. subject to rent.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

Shipping.

4 p.m.—*Changsha* leaves for Australian Ports.

5 p.m.—*Bisagno* leaves for B'bay, &c.

Amusements.

Willison's World Circus and Trained Animal Exhibition, on the Reclamation Ground, back of the City Hall.

5.15 p.m.—Organ Recital by Mr A. G. Ward in St. John Cathedral.

Meeting.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, closed from this date to 15th February, both days inclusive.

Dividend of 8 % on Shares of Hongkong Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., payable.

Kowloon Customs Office closes from this date to the 4th February.

Goods per *Arratoon Apcar* undelivered after 4 p.m. this date landed.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, January 30, 1897.

OPIUM—New Patna, cash,... 683¾
,, Old ,, cash, 680
,, New Benares, cash, 675
,, Old ,, cash,... —
,, New Malwa, credit, 760
Allowance, Taels,... 40/48
,, Old Malwa, credit,. 770
Allowance, Taels,... 48/64
,, Persian, Oily, cash,. —
Allowance, Taels,... —
,, Persian, Paper tied 590/700
Allowance, Taels, ... 32/64

Exchange.

HONGKONG, January 30, 1897.

On London—
Bank, Wire, ... 2/1⅜
,, On demand, ... 2/1 7/16
,, 30 days' sight, ... 2/1½
,, 4 months' sight, ... 2/1 9/16
Credits, 4 ,, ... 2/1⅝
Documentary, 4 months' sights, ... 2/1⅝
On Paris—
On demand, ... 2.67
Credits, 4 months' sight, ... 2.71
On Berlin—Demand,... ... ... 2.16
On New York—
On demand, ... 51¾
Credits, 60 days' sight,... ... 53
On Bombay—
Wire, ... 165
On demand, ... 165½
On Calcutta—
Wire, ... 165
On demand, ... 165½
On Shanghai—
On demand, ... 72¾
30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 73½
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)... $48.50
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) $ 9.30
Silver (per oz.) ... ... 29¾*d.*

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A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED, THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, July 6, 1896. 1367

The publication of this issue commenced at 6.55 *p.m.*

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Bullmouth, Jens-Meinich*, Dec. 15th; *Diomed, Adour*, 18th; *Tellus, Bennohr, Kirkdale, Normanisle*, 29th; *Obi, Sikh*, Jan. 5th; *Benvenue, Templar*, 8th; *Dardanus, Ningchow, Irene*, 19th; *Ixion, Palawan, Preussen, Ayr, Candia*, 22nd; *Agamemnon, Melbourne, Oolong, Dieke Rickmers, Normandie*, 26th; *Bayern, Melpomene, Keelong, St. Andrews*, 29th.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Dorothea Rickmers*, Dec. 12th; *Manila, Mogul*, 15th; *Oanfa* 23rd; *Gerda, Benvoirlich, Cowrie*, 29th; *Ernest Simons, Japan*, Jan. 5th; *Claverhill*, 8th Jan.; *Aden*, Jan. 12th; *Thekla*, 19th; *Gisela*, 22nd; *Benledi, Radnorshire*, 26th; *Oceana, Hector*, 29th.

Mails.

The M. M. s. s. *Oceanien*, with the next French Mail, left Saigon on the 28th Jan., at 11 a.m., for this port.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. *Prinz Heinrich*, has left Shanghai on the 29th Jan., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday night, the 31st Jan.

The O. & O. s. s. *Coptic*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 16th Jan.

The P. M. s. s. *City of Rio de Janeiro*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 23rd Jan.

Steamers Expected.

The N. P. S. Co. chartered steamer *Macduff*, from Tacoma, arrived at Yokohama on the 12th Jan.

The s. s. *Glenartney*, from London and Straits, left Singapore for this port on the morning of Jan. 24.

The C. M. Co.'s s. s. *Pingsuey*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 8th Jan., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 25th.

The D. D. R. str. *Kriemhild*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 26th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 31st Jan.

The N. P. S. Co.'s s. s. *Braemar* has arrived at Yokohama and will sail from that port on the 31st Jan.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Patroclus*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 27th Jan., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd Feb.

The N. P. K. s. s. *Tokio Maru*, Australian steamer, left Thursday Island for this port on the morning of Jan. 29th, and may be expected to arrive here on the 9th Feb.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Ningchow*, from Liverpool and Newport, passed the Canal on the 19th Jan., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 6th Feb.

The s. s. *Monmouthshire* left Victoria for Yokohama and China via Honolulu on the 30th Dec.

The E. & A. str. *Airlie*, from Sydney, left Port Darwin on Friday, the 22nd Jan., for Timor and Hongkong.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Oolong*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 26th Jan., and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 13th Feb.

Latest Advices.

The P. M. s. s. *Peru*, with the AMERICAN MAIL of the 7th Jan., leaves Yokohama, on Sunday, the 31st Jan., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 8th Feb.

The s. s. *Maria Rickmers*, from Middlesbro, Antwerp & Hamburg, left Singapore on the afternoon of the 29th Jan. for this port, and may be expected here on or about the 6th Feb.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Java* left Singapore for this port on Jan. 30th, at 6 a.m.

The C. P. R. Co. *Empress of China* sailed from Yokohama for Vancouver on Friday afternoon, the 29th January.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Pingsuey*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the morning of 30th Jan., and may be expected here on or about 5th Feb.

ORDER OF CHORAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.—4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, JAN. 31.

Matins.—Tallis, Responses; Venite, Macfarren; Psalms, Woodward & Crotch; Te Deum, 90, Baker in C; Benedictus, Troutbeck; Anthem, 9, 'Call to remembrance, O Lord,' Farrant; Hymn, 218; Kyrie, 140, Dykes in F; Offertory Hymn, 316.

Evensong;—Psalms, Turton, Turle, Rimbault and Humphreys; Magnificat, Hawes in E; Nunc Dimittis, Dupuis in A Minor; Hymns, 173, 177 and 21.

UNION CHURCH.—SUNDAY, JAN. 31.

11 a.m.—Voluntary, 'Allegretto pastorale,' Calkin; Hymn, No. 215 (Capetown) F. Felitz; Hymn, No. 338 (St. Raphael), Hopkins; Hymn, No. 155, Dykes; Anthem, No. 26, 'Lead, kindly light,' Sullivan; Psalm, No. 28 (Double Chant), Lupton; Voluntary, Advent Sonata, Herzog.

6 p.m.—Voluntary, 'Andante to Sonata No. 6,' Mendelssohn; Hymn, No. 130 (London New) Scotch Psalter, 1635; Hymn, No. 313 (Bethany), Smart; Hymn, No. 254, Lowry; Hymn, No. 176 (St. Mabyn), Brown; Hymn, No. 163, Sankey; Voluntary, Sonata No. 2, Mendelssohn.

WESLEYAN METHODIST CHURCH.—SUNDAY, JAN. 31.

10.30 a.m.—Hymns, 817, 107, 85, 709.
6 p.m.—Hymns, 963, 698, 734, 971; Psalms, I-III.
Evening Preacher:—Rev. C. Bone.

THE only change in our share-list to-day is a drop of a dollar on Luzons, the quotation being $53, sales and sellers.

UP to the 23rd inst., the *Straits Times* had received $12,078 for the Indian Famine Relief Fund.

THE General Post Office and Money Order Office will be closed on Chinese New Year's Day (2nd February). If the Shanghai Mail arrives the Office will be opened for delivery for one hour only, but no letters will be sent out. The night box will be left open.

PATENT Music boxes, Violins (fine models), Mandolines, and Strings of all kinds. W. Robinson & Co.

RECALCITRANT ricksha coolies have been sentenced to three or four months' imprisonment for intimidation during the recent strike at Singapore.

WE would remind our readers of the grand military concert to be given at the City Hall to-night by the Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment.

MR Nat. Ruchwaldy, whose musical talents are well known in Hongkong, has established himself as a teacher of the banjo, mandoline, and guitar at Singapore.

THE Austrian cruiser *Saida* left Singapore for Pola on the 20th inst. The Portuguese gunboat *Diu*, which has been stationed for some time at Macao and Timor, left for Lisbon on the 19th inst.

WILLISON'S Great World Circus opens on the Praya Reclamation on Monday evening. A strong programme has been prepared, and as the Circus is on the most convenient site in the Colony it should receive a large share of the public patronage.

VISITORS to the Happy Valley should look after their pockets, as we understand that in the big crowds at the football matches last week three gentlemen have been relieved of valuables by some light-fingered gentry, who taking advantage of the crush have successfully plied their nefarious trade.

THE Bank of West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess to-morrow, commencing at 12.30 p.m.:—

Overture............ 'Don Juan' .... *Mozart.*
Entr'Acte .... 'Rosamunde' .... *Schubert.*
Carillon from Suite...... 'L'Arlésienne' .... *Bizet.*
Reminiscences of Haydn............ *Winterbottom.*
God Save the Queen.
Wm. Geo. Bentley, A.R.C.M., Bandmaster.

THE Manila *Comercio*, of January 23, records the death, on that day, of the Rev. Father Federico Faura, of the Society of Jesus, director of the Manila Observatory. Science owes much to the indefatigibility of the deceased, and it is the general opinion that in the matter of meteorology Father Faura stood second to none in the Far East. The deceased was only 56 years of age.

H.M.S. *Æolus* is returning to England, her relief, the *Iphigenia*, sailing to-day from England for Hongkong. H.M.S. *Spartan* goes to Devonport to pay off, and will not be re-placed by another ship. This weakens the China Squadron by a second-class cruiser. H.M.S. *Swift* has gone to Manila to relieve the *Spartan*, which is coming on to Hongkong preparatory to the voyage to England.

IN the coure of a fight which took place on 31st December at Shaukiwan between two coolies one of the men severely wounded his opponent on the arm with a chopper. The man escaped arrest by leaving the Colony, but the attraction of the New Year festivities were too great for him, and he returned yesterday to Shaukiwan. He was immediately arrested, and at the Magistracy to-day he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

THE Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Military Concert in the City Hall to-night:—

1.—March............ 'Pere la Victoire' .... *Louis Ganne.*
2.—Overture .... 'Maritana' .... *Wallace.*
3.—Piccolo .... 'The Wren' .... *Demare.*
4.—Three Dances .... (a) Morris (b) Shepherds' (c) Torch .... *E. German.*
5.—Descriptive Fantasia .... 'The Smithy in the Wood' .... *Michaelis.*
6.—Cornet Solo .... 'The Lost Chord' .... *Sullivan.*
7.—Ballet Music .... 'William Tell' .... *Rossini.*
Interval.
8.—The British Army Quadrilles.
God Save the Queen.
Wm. Geo. Bentley, A.R.C.M., Bandmaster.

A CRICKET match was played to-day between teams representing Public Schools and Universities and the Rest of the Club. The combined team won by 241 runs to 186. For the Schools, &c., Rev. G. Vallings (Oxford) scored 91, S. A. Perry-Ayscough 69, A. G. Ward (Denstone) 10, and P. A. Cox (Wellington) 15; for the ordinary individuals Sir R. K. Arbuthnot scored 37, H. D. Bedwell 47, G. M. Thomson 20 (not out), Lt. Bowden-Smith 15, Lt. Shelford 13, K. W. Mounsey 14, Lt. Plumer 14, and Capt. Mold 11.

A BRUTAL robbery was committed last night at West Point. A Chinese boy was returning to Shektongtsui, after having pawned some clothes, for which he received $3.60, and while passing along a lonely part of Queen's Road near the Gas Works he was seized by the neck from behind and thrown to the ground. The robber then knelt upon the boy, and secured the money which was wrapped up in a handkerchief. After ill-treating the boy, he ran off stamping on his victim's face on rising. The boy followed behind crying out 'thief,' and after a long chase the robber was stopped by a Chinaman from the feather factory. He was handed over to the custody of the Police. At the Magistracy to-day, Commander Hastings sentenced him to six months' hard labour.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.—At *Kowloon*—Lekin, Empress of India, Altmore, Cosmopolit, Independent, Zafiro.

Cosmopolitan—Nanshang, Fort Stuart. *Aberdeen*—(None).

ONE Box of CLARKE'S B 41 Pills is warranted to cure all discharges from the Urinary Organs, in either sex (acquired or constitutional), Gravel and Pains in the Back. Guaranteed free from Mercury. Sold in Boxes, 4s. 6d. each, by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the World. Proprietors, THE LINCOLN AND MIDLAND COUNTIES DRUG COMPANY, Lincoln, England.

THIS is a good story, writes 'The Moralist' in the *Straits Times*.—The other day when the Spanish transport was in port a certain gentleman, who shall be nameless, went off to the vessel on business bent, full of apprehensions as to how he might make himself understood. On reaching the gangway he hailed the first man he saw with the enquiry 'Does anybody here speak English?' and deeper than the sound of seas came back the reply 'what the devil do you think I should speak' with strong Scotch accent. Obviously he was the chief engineer.

MANILA exchanges to hand by the *Zafiro* speak hopefully of the speedy pacification of the Philippines. The rebels have suffered defeat at various points, are now thoroughly demoralised in some provinces, and are taking advantage of the amnesty extended by General Polavieja. On the 23rd January, fifteen women presented themselves to the Civil Governor of Manila for pardon, declaring that they had belonged to the masonry league (secret society). These women, mostly young, belong to the well-to-do class amongst the natives. They gave up the aprons and other paraphernalia pertaining to the society, which is said to be the only society of the kind for women in the country. Another execution took place at Manila on the 25th January. Two tide waiters named Marcelo Eugnera and Euginio de los Reyes Herrera, and a customs policeman named Valentin Lagasca Cruz, were executed.

THE annual meeting of seatholders in St. John's Cathedral was held yesterday afternoon in the City Hall. Rev. R. F. Cobbold presided, and in the course of his opening remarks said it was a matter of regret that Bishop Burdon was not present to occupy the chair. There was no news from home with regard to the appointment of Bishop Burdon's successor, and he understood no definite steps had been taken to make an appointment. The delay was possibly due to the fact that the formalities of Bishop Burdon's resignation had only recently been concluded, and no doubt the death of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the appointment of his successor had delayed matters. The accounts were adopted. Mr W. G. Humphreys wished to say a few words about the so-called ritualistic innovations introduced by the Chairman into St. John's Cathedral, but Hon. Commander Rumsey rose to order, and the Chairman said Mr Humphreys would have an opportunity of making his remarks after the business of the meeting had been concluded. The Chairman stated that Mr C. Ford did not seek re-election on the Church Body, and the following gentlemen were afterwards appointed members:—Sir John Carrington, Hon. F. A. Cooper, Hon. R. M. Rumsey, Messrs T. Jackson, H. B. H. Lethbridge, and E. Osborne. Mr McBean was elected auditor. The regulations under which the Church Body carry on business were then confirmed. The Chairman suggested that the Church Body, with the assistance of a skilled man, should revise the regulations, as in some instances they were not clearly worded. On the motion of Mr T. Jackson, seconded by Hon. R. M. Rumsey, Mr Wright was cordially thanked for his kindness and labour in carrying on the duties of Hon. Treasurer. A discussion then took place between Mr Humphreys and Rev. R. F. Cobbold, after the latter had left the chair, in reference to the alleged ritualistic innovations introduced into the Church since Christmas Day.

THE *Nippon* on the 19th Jan. had some indignant remarks about the foreign residents of Yokohama. Whereas (says our contemporary) singing, dancing and instrumental music, are prohibited throughout the Empire on account of the death of the Empress Dowager, the foreign residents of Yokohama advertise a concert in the Public Hall for the 20th Jan. The *Nippon* adds that this is not the first time that the shameless foreigners, relying on the special privileges of extra-territoriality, have given offence to the people of Japan, but how that the Foreign Ministers and consuls pass such open acts unnoticed? 'We hereby expose the disrespect of the foreigners and appeal to the sympathy of the public.' This paragraph is not without its value, inasmuch as it points to the fact that the difference in Oriental and Occidental customs may possibly lead to considerable friction when the Treaties come into force.—*Kobe Chronicle.*

THAT most staid of staid British publications, the *Spectator*, devotes what country correspondents term 'a considerable amount of its valuable space' to incidents of animal life; the building of nests in old hats or the intelligence of bullfrogs; but here is a story absolutely true of Mr Consul Jamieson's pointer. As will be seen elsewhere, Mr Jamieson and the Misses Jamieson left for England on the 23rd Jan., and it may reasonably be presumed that there were many things to be done; that the household arrangements were unusually disturbed, and that there was much leave taking of no every-day kind. Was this all lost upon Mr Jamieson's pointer? Not a bit of it. The animal was dodging in and out of the shrubbery, surrounding the house, in a dejected, aimless, undoggy sort of way, wearing a most melancholy expression as 11 o'clock approached. His sense of smell seemed to be unnaturally acute, he passed old favourite sniffing points without the slightest recognition, and showed his teeth in a most menacing manner when a hapless wonk crossed his path. A dog with greater pretensions to breed passed his way, but his anxiety was only temporarily checked; the greeting was a most chilling one, for there was evidently a load of uncertainty and doubt on the pointer's mind. At last the party left the house, then the animal sat off in high glee with his tail cocked at a good humoured angle; but his worst fears were realised as the tender moved off from the jetty and left him not friendless, but parted from those to whom it was manifest he was most devotedly attached. It was a little scene, apt to be overlooked; but not devoid of pathos; for if the dog, as Mayor of blessed memory has told us, is 'the friend of man, he is a most trustworthy friend and absolutely disinterested.—*Mercury.*

THE YOKOHAMA POISONING CASE.

THE TRIAL OF MRS CAREW. FINAL STAGES.

(Special Telegram From Our Own Correspondent).

KOBE, Saturday, Jan. 30.

Mr H. S. Wilkinson, Crown Advocate, in closing the case for the prosecution in the trial of Mrs Carew, replied in detail to the points raised for the defence by Mr Lowder.

At the conclusion of the speeches, Judge Mowat intimated that he would deliver his summing-up on Monday, the 1st February.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, Jan. 28.

ITALY IN AFRICA.

The *Times* states that the Marquis di Rudini has decided to evacuate Erythrea, with the probable exception of the Port of Massowah.

FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

M. Muravieff has been banqueted at the Elysée with effusive honours.

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 30th at 11.20 a. Pressure is high over the N.E. part of the Sea of Japan, still low, but increasing, on the S. coast of China and in the Gulf of Tongking. Forecast:—moderate to fresh S. E. and E. winds; rainy, cooler.

A TELEGRAM recently received at Tientsin announces the recent death at home, of syncope, of Mrs Blanchard, the wife of Captain W. Blanchard, of the Taku Pilot Company.—*Mercury.*

DR. Atterbury recently had a narrow escape from death through the effects of coal gas at Paotingfoo. Fortunately his friend and colleague, Dr Taylor, was at hand to render timely aid and save a valuable life. —*Mercury.*

THE M. M. steamer *Saghalien* left Singapore on the 16th Jan. for Marseilles as a cargo boat. Owing to the fatal boiler explosion which occurred on board between Singapore and Saigon on the 30th Nov. the *Saghalien's* place on the mail run has been taken temporarily by the *Tamise*, which is fixed to leave Singapore on the 26th Jan. with the homeward French mail.

Two Americans, Dr. and Mrs. MacIlrath, have arrived in Bhamo on bicycles. They left Chicago on the 10th April, 1895; rode to the Pacific Coast; went by steamer to Yokohama; rode through Japan; thence by steamer to China. They intended entering Burma through the south of China from Canton, but they were dissuaded from this, and went to Shanghai; rode thence to Ichang, coming through to Burma, partly by ponies and afterwards on cycles. Dr. and Mrs. MacIlrath propose crossing India and Persia to Constantinople, and will then travel through several European countries. They say the Chinese were very polite within reach of the gunboats, but in the interior they had much trouble from subordinate officials.

A CIRCULAR has been issued by the Federal Council Rifle Association of Australia asking the various associations to take into consideration a proposal to send an Australian rifle team to England. It is pointed out that the idea that Australia should be represented at the Bisley meeting has always been a popular one, and has excited increased interest since the Queen's prize in 1895 was carried off by the Canadian shot, Hayhurst. For some years Canada has sent a team of 20 men to compete at Bisley, and the council of the Dominion Rifle Association had promised to extend a warm welcome to any team sent to England from Australia. The circular goes on to point out the advantages of taking concerted action in the matter. As at present arranged, a team of 40 non-commissioned officers and men of the New South Wales mounted rifles will visit England in order to take part in the manœuvres at Aldershot, in addition to competing in the military tournament at the Agricultural Hall, Islington. As they intend also to enter for the competitions at Bisley meeting it is hoped that Victoria may be represented, as this would considerably strengthen the Australian party.

THE M.M. s.s. *Tibre*, which arrived at Singapore on the 20th inst. from Saigon, reports that on the 17th at 11.30 a.m. she sighted a large Chinese junk in distress, in lat. 4° 11'N. and long. 102° 51'E. of Paris. On boarding her it was discovered that she was from Hailam and bound for Banka with 350 passengers. For two days they had been without water, and at that distance from land would undoubtedly have lost many of them from thirst, had they not fallen in with the *Tibre*. Capt. Gregory gave them what water and provisions he could spare, but these were quite insufficient to last the junk till she got to land, and he suggested towing them. They said they had no money to pay, and seeing the evident distress of the passengers, Capt. Gregory towed them to Pulau Aor, a distance of 110 miles, where they would be able to revictual. For a wonder the Chinamen evinced some gratitude and begged the acceptance of a basket of chickens as a mark thereof.—*Singapore Free Press.*

THE commission of a grave offence, and one which might have been attended with disastrous results, was this morning (25) attributed to a Chinese boatman at the China Merchants, Lower Wharf. The German mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* had been moored at that wharf, and on the 23rd Jan. while leaving for Woosung, and when gradually paying off the bow line with a tremendous strain on, it happened to touch the mast of a native rice boat, which was lying, with many others, at hand. The owner of the boat immediately grasped an axe and with several strokes, in spite of dismayed shouts from both ship and shore, severed the line. The *Prinz Heinrich* might have swung round and drifted into the shipping with appalling results, but the danger was most fortunately averted in time. The boatman was immediately arrested, and appeared at the Mixed Court on the 26th Jan. The damaged line was stated to be of the value of about $500; and in addition to this, the gravity of the offence imparted a most serious air to the case. The evidence of the European wharfinger at the China Merchants' Lower Wharf was taken, the case being finally remanded, for the production of additional testimony.—*Mercury.*

'FRAGRANT WATERS': MURMUR

That it is a relief to everybody when the weather forms the principal subject of conversation.

That, on this occasion, the less said about the weather the better.

That the vapour-bath conditions of the past few days are peculiarly abnormal.

That a change of wind may alter the meteorological condition of things at a moment's notice.

That it is no wonder the weather has been abnormal during the last week, seeing that some four or five admirals have been charging the atmosphere with gunpowder for the last few days.

That, what with a Kaiser's birthday and interminable saluting, it would have been a wonder had our winter been not turned inside out.

That I see you have sketched out quite an extensive enlargement and improvement of the Royal Naval Yard establishment in this port.

That most residents will be pleased to see that Hongkong is still looked upon as the centre of our Naval force in the Far East.

That whatever may be done by H. M. Government further North, this port will ever be the base of Naval refitting.

That Britishers will look, notwithstanding, to their Government to see that some point further north will be available in case of hostilities.

That our Government is perhaps too modest in its claims, or too reticent in making them known, although I know of no European Government which has more reason to claim any point required than Great Britain.

That Great Britain, the alleged grabber of territory, has made herself famous in the Far East by refusing to grab land that has been offered to her.

That certain interested parties will persist in ignoring this feature of British policy.

That much has been said about the possibility or probability of Great Britain obtaining an extension of the boundary line in Kowloon, opposite to the Island of Hongkong.

That the talk is all that anybody can go upon for the present, as Great Britain has for forty years past gone upon the policy of bolstering up the Tatsing Dynasty—from the days of Sir Frederick Bruce and General Gordon until now.

That Russia may gobble, Germany may nibble, and France may insist upon concessions; but Great Britain goes on for ever in her unselfish way.

That some folks appear to think we shall have substantial concessions after the Chinese New Year; and I do not say that we shall be disappointed.

That, all the same, I fancy the Foreign Office has lost its chance, and has missed its opportunity.

That I shall be quite pleased to find that I have made a mistake, but I have my 'doots.'

That it is a long time since we had that Burns' Concert, but the memory of it comes like a refreshing breeze even now.

That the entertainment was emphatically a success, and ought to lead those interested to repeat the dose on the next anniversary of the great national song-writer.

That Mrs Vallings is, of course, an interpreter of Scottish song of which any community might be proud.

That this lady sings every song as if it had been written specially for her, and even to the older Scots she seems to shed a light on every song she sang which was not fully seen or felt before she sang it.

That I cannot give higher praise to the fair songstress, and I never could have given the same verdict to anyone else.

That Mrs Gordon's version of 'Auld Robin Gray' was an experience to be remembered,—it was a piece of musical elocution (if it may be so called) which takes the shape of 'a thing of beauty' and 'a joy for ever.'

That the other items on this most successful programme combined to make the last Scotch Concert one of the most enjoyable evenings of the season, and perhaps the most successful entertainment of the kind in this Colony.

That the enjoyment thus given will, I hope, lead those concerned to remember the birthday of 'Rantin, rovin, Robin' in succeeding years.

That I hear further growls about the slow progress of the Praya Reclamation.

That it is almost a pity the owners of the foreshore lots did not stipulate a certain date when the inconvenience, misery and evil-smelling conditions were to terminate.

That the Government might do something towards stimulating this work, if it happened to be anybody's business; but it seems to lag.

That I hear meetings are being held about the correct mode of celebrating the sixtieth year's reign of our Beloved Queen.

That presumably the outcome will be transparencies and fireworks, which cost money and end in smoke.

That if H. E. Governor remains a year longer in his present position, perhaps he may guide the 'chief priests and elders' of the community into a better way than that of fire-crackers.

That, when we are talking of ways and means, and how to make both ends meet, it does seem rather out of place to meditate a large expense on pure 'splurge.'

That there is much talk as to how the revenue is to be gathered in so as to be on the right side of the account.

That the Light Dues may now, I fancy, be set down as a thing which, as our American friends say, will not eventuate.

That it is a pity our unofficial representatives did not state straightforwardly what they proposed, as the residents who pay the piper would prefer to know what is what.

That I hear the postage on Chinese letters, if properly managed, will bring in more than the Light Dues.

That I also hear an ugly rumour, to the effect that the Home Government meditate charging the various Colonies with a share of the Imperial subsidy to the P. & O. Company for carrying the mails.

That one never knows what is coming next.

That the trouble is, we in Hongkong are apparently regarded as belonging to the grand Federation of the Empire, *when any money is required*, and are left out most severely when anything is to be said touching our own rights as British citizens.

That a crisis must come sooner or later, if this one-sided mode of dealing goes on as it has been going of late.

That, if a readjustment of taxes is necessary to meet the needs of revenue, why not tax luxuries, and withdraw light dues.

That chair-coolie clothes should be brought within the pale, on an ascending scale, discriminating between modest uniforms and those outrages to good taste which even the coolies shrink from wearing.

That perhaps babies might be slightly taxed, increasing the charge in the case of twins.

That bachelors and bicycle-riders ought to be heavily mulcted, the former given the alternative of matrimony, the latter of deportation.

BROWNIE.

SPORTING GOSSIP.

I'm a chick—a leery cove;
With my von, two, three,
Vitechapel vos the village I vos born in;
To catch me on the hop,
Or on the tivvy drop,
You must get up wery early in the mornin'.
Old Song, Anon.

My fellow worm turned upon me this morning, and said that 'this getting up in the middle of the night must be stopped!' All sorts of grief from attacks of the 'Early Bird' were prophesied, but it was 'n.u.t.;' it was nice and damp on the grass and 'The Worm' had to be all there, bird or no bird.

Some one has said that 'It is better to speak in a known tongue than to prophesy,' and the Romans sought divination from the entrails of birds; therefore prophecy at this early stage of the game must be left to the Bird. With his 'ifs' and 'ands,' he is bound to spot a winner——in time.

Steady work, as it should be on such a trying morning, was the order of the day, although some were asked to gallop, but could not do so—anyhow. The first pony that was extended in any form worth looking at was the Polo Players' *Polo*, a nice, useful little animal, but apparently, although speedy, somewhat weak in the joints and wanting bone. None of the times were in any way remarkable, and it is useless to attach much importance to them. Mr Gustav's *Red-fire* showed up well. He is as handsome as a picture and has lots of power, but does not seem able to quicken.

The Neighbours' *Landsturm* has fine easy action, with a long stride, and if his bellows are all right he will prove dangerous for long distances. Mr John Peel's *Red Fish* and *Pineapple* 'powed' together—both in very good form—but the latter, as might be expected had to be pulled to keep alongside his stable companion, although the pace was by no means fast. *Pineapple*, it should be remembered, was the winner of the Hongkong Club and Challenge Cups last year, and ran second to *Standard* in the Champions. *Torchlight*, also from the Peel stable, made a flying start from the 1½ mile post alone. At the end of the first quarter, three others from the same stable chipped in. The full distance was covered in 3.34; the finish was very bad.

The best gallop of the morning was done by Mr Lewis' *Sinful* (Mr Morton Jones up). Starting at a walk, he got over a mile and a-half in 3.33, full of running and apparently capable of doing it in many seconds less time whenever wanted. Mr Buxey's *Black Rock*, hard ridden, covered the same distance in three seconds less time, but, unless he improves very much on this morning's form, he will never be in the same company as *Sinful*. *White Rose* was the last on the course, and was only trotted and cantered.

On Friday Mr Gillies' two Derby cracks were the only two that galloped. *Aspirant* did the mile and a-quarter in 2.54, and *Poeman* the mile in 2.21, both showing very good form. Mr David of that Ilk, with these two excellent ponies to rely upon, ought to be very near the Derby this year. His stable has a profound faith in *Aspirant*. The course was a flyingone.

Messrs McKie and Gove's *Glendubh* went over the mile in 3.45, and if I am not mistaken this pony will also be 'well up' on Derby Day. I hear that Mr Crawford is going to ride him. *Daccapo* had a rather disappointing gallop, and his performance rather damped the ardour of the men who have pinned their faith in him, although his time for three-quarters was not at all bad—1.42. His finish, however, was anything but promising.—Messrs McKie and Gove's *Rioletet* went a mile with Mr Hohnke's Derby pony *Sperber*; they were clocked at 2.23½. *Comet* and *Black Eagle*, Mr Mody's old pony and his Derby candidate went for a spin of a mile and a-quarter, doing it in 2.50. *Hermes*, Mr Medico's sub., was sent out with *Surprise*, which was a surprise to most of the early birds at the rails. They did the mile and a-quarter in 2.53½. I am inclined to think it is a mistake to send out subscription griffins with an old pony like *Surprise*; and I am astonished that an experienced stable like Mr John Peel's should commit the same mistake with *Torchlight* and *Castor* and *Pollux*. The time was not worth clocking, but if *Torchlight* was sent out to kill the two subs he did it most successfully.

I notice that 'Early Bird' has soared as high as Shanghai in order to attack *Sport and Gossip*. The Editors of that racy weekly have lots of 'Attic salt' in their sanctum, and 'the Bird' will get some of it put on his tail if he does not have a care.

If 'ifs' and 'ands' were pots and pans,
There'd be no use for tinkers.

THE WORM.

W. ROBINSON & Co., Piano and Musical Instrument specialists and experts. Workshops and Factory, Duddell St.; Show Rooms, Queen's Road Central.

THERE has been mentioned in Singapore a suggestion, whose origin we cannot trace, that Sir Henry Blake is to come here from Jamaica as Governor. But Sir Charles Mitchell has a couple of years to serve, and further, as the salary of the Jamaica appointment is £6,000 a year whereas that of this Colony is only about £3,600, the suggestion is visibly valueless.—*Singapore Free Press.*

MR Gnoh Lean Tuck of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, has passed both Parts of the 'Little Go' and also the 'Additional subjects required of Candidates for Honours.' Mr Gnoh Lean Tuck gained the Queen's Scholarship for 1896, and entered Cambridge University direct from Penang Free School in October last. He will now be able to specialize for the Natural Sciences Tripos.

THIS ought to rejoice the hearts of Thirteen Clubs wherever they may exist:—'The maintainers of the Thirteen Superstition will find Dr Nansen's experiences rather a hard nut to crack. Not only was the number of his crew thirteen, but it was on the 13th August that the Fram escaped from the ice, and the 13th August, 1896, that her commander arrived home. Seeing that Dr Nansen's expedition is almost the only attempt at Polar exploration we ever heard of in which no one was ill even for a day, it would seem that the malign influence of the number 13 does not extend into the Arctic circle at any rate.' It will be remembered that the only passenger who escaped from the wreck of the *Drummond Castle* was compelled much against his will to occupy State-room No. 13, no other being available.

HONGKONG ICE CO., LIMITED.

The following is the Sixteenth Annual Report:—

The General Managers have pleasure in submitting to the Shareholders a Statement of the Company's Accounts for the year 1896.

Including $1,724.23 brought forward from last year, and after deducting $10,000 paid on 27th July last as an Interim Dividend of $2 per share, the balance at credit of Profit and Loss is $46,769.13 which it is recommended should be appropriated as follows:—

A Final Dividend of $5 per share,	$25,000.00
To write off Property Account,	20,000.00
To carry forward, ...	1,769.13
	$46,769.13

As was foreshadowed in last year's report it has become necessary to order new Machinery from England to replace old plant and enable the works to meet the increased demand for ice during the summer months. The new Machinery is expected to arrive during the present year, and will cost, when erected, inclusive of alterations to the buildings, from $50,000 to $55,000. It is recommended that the amount mentioned be written off Property Account to strengthen the position of the Company in view of the heavy expenditure necessary for new Plant.

Jardine, Matheson & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 29th January, 1897.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

The ordinary half-yearly meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd. was held to-day at the Company's Office. Hon. E. R. Belilios presided. The other gentlemen present were:—Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Messrs F. A. Gomes, N. A Siebs, C. Beurmann (Directors); T. Arnold (Secretary); J. Behrens, E. J. Moses, N. S. Levy, Woo Hon, E. Georg, G. Sharp, G. L. Tomlin, F. Henderson, A. Denison, G. C. Cox, D. W. Craddock, Rev. B. E. Falleiro, P. Jordan, W. M. Watson, G. H. Potts and C. S. Sharp.

The Secretary read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been in your hands for several days, I propose that, as usual, they be taken as read. There is not much for me to add to what is already stated in the report. Our business during the half-year was carried on under somewhat adverse circumstances. In the first place, during almost the whole period one or other of our vessels was off the line for repairs, and although we were able to maintain the regular service with the other boats—except in the case of the Canton-Macao line when the *White Cloud* was under repair—the fact of being a steamer short naturally told to a certain extent upon our earnings. Then again, owing to the fact that the section of the reclamation upon which our wharf stands was taken in hand out of the order originally intended, all our previously arranged plans were upset and we were suddenly called upon to find wharf accommodation elsewhere, which fortunately we were able to do, although at a much increased expense. Still, notwithstanding these drawbacks, it is satisfactory to note that our net earnings are some $5000 in excess of those of the corresponding six months of 1895. The item for repairs does not, I think, call for much explanation. The *Hoiam's* new starboard paddle shaft and the extensive overhaul of the *White Cloud* were anticipated at our last meeting and the other boats have had to undergo the usual annual repairs to satisfy Government requirements. The accident to the *Heungshan* is regrettable, not only because it takes some $7000 out of our earnings, but also from the fact that it deprived us for a considerable period of the use of the steamer. Reverting to the subject of wharfage, I may say that we shall continue to used the *Hankow's* wharf until it has to make way for the reclamation, by which time we expect to have ready a temporary wharf at the end of Wing Lok Street, built to a great extent of the material of our old wharf. This we shall use until we are able to put up our new permanent wharf, as nearly as possible on the old site. I have again to express disappointment at the delayed opening of the West River, the more so, as the two small steamers which we had built in expectation of that event are now finished and ready for service. The new lighter which, you will have observed, is being built is to cost $7,400, and will replace our old cargo-boat which is now almost past service. Turning to our investments, our surveyor's latest valuation of the properties mortgaged to the Company is $1,103,500 against $717,200 advanced. Our investments in shares have been carefully selected, and a readjustment of values enables us, while keeping them well within market prices, to make a small addition to the amount at credit of Investment Fluctuation account. You will notice that it is proposed to write five per cent. off the book value of the steamers, a prudent course which no doubt will commend itself to investing shareholders, and one which I trust future earnings will enable us to continue. Nothing else occurs to me to touch upon, but before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be happy to answer any questions in connection therewith which may suggest themselves to shareholders.

No questions being asked, the Chairman proposed that the report and accounts be adopted.

Mr G. Sharp seconded.

Carried unanimously.

Mr Potts proposed the confirmation of the appointment of Mr C. Bourmann as Director in place of Mr J. Kramer who upon leaving the Colony resigned his seat.

Mr Jordan seconded.

Carried.

Mr C. S. Sharp proposed the re-election of the retiring auditors, Messrs A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Henderson.

Mr Tomlin seconded.

Carried.

The Chairman—There is no other business, gentlemen, but I have to announce that dividend warrants will be ready on Monday at ten o'clock.

30 NEW PIANOS just arrived; best makers. Also Cabin and Transposing Pianos, guaranteed for the climate. W. Robinson & Co.

THE remarks that we made yesterday (says the *Straits Times* of the 19th Jan.) with regard to the reported outbreak of plague in Singapore have had, we are glad to say, the re-assuring effect that they were intended to convey. There is, and has been up to the time of writing, no clearly demonstrated case of plague in Singapore. It is true that there have been cases that bear a suspicious resemblance to all the recognised symptoms of the disease, but bacteriological investigation has failed so far to reveal the now well-known bacillus. We believe that some samples of matter obtained from patients who have recently died here under the suspicion of plague have been sent to Hongkong, and, in the meantime, the local faculty is doing all that it can to get at the bottom of a disease that undoubtedly is becoming prevalent and that does not fall within the usual types.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Mr T. Sercombe Smith, Acting Puisne Judge.)

Friday, Jan. 29.

INTERESTING POINT IN THE LAW RELATING TO CONTRACTS.

Judgment was given in a case which was heard on the 19th January in which the plaintiff Kai Wo sued the Kwong Yik Wo for non-fulfilment of contract. Mr Wilkinson appeared for the plaintiff and Mr J. Hastings for the defence.

His Lordship said—On 29th October, 1896 the parties to this suit entered into a written Chinese contract, of which the translation runs thus:—'The Kai Wo illustrious firm has ordered through broker—200 bags of star brand flour at $1.85, at 99 the tael for cash (1 per cent. discount). It is agreed that delivery shall be taken within 14 days at 99 per tael for cash. The sample has been thoroughly examined. All the goods shall be taken delivery of whether good or bad. If no delivery is taken after the time has expired the seller shall be at liberty to sell the goods on [the purchaser's] behalf it matters not whether the price then be up or down. All losses and expenses of sale, whether more or less, shall be made good by the purchaser. These arrangements have been agreed to by both parties face to face. This note is made as evidence;' to which is affixed the chop of the Hwang Yik Wo firm. The plaintiff alleged that on the 9th November he personally applied at the defendant firm for delivery, and tendered the price of the goods: he could not, however, recall the name of or identify the person to whom he applied, and his application of that date is denied by the persons in the defendant firm. Moreover, plaintiff admitted that it was the custom to send a coolie with a document to be chopped by the delivering house, but explained his conduct in going in person by saying that he had no coolie available on the 9th November and that he was anxious to take delivery that day in order to consign by a steamer sailing in the afternoon for Amoy; he stated that the reason given for non-delivery was that no goods had arrived: but it was proved that defendant firm had 660 bags of star brand in stock on 9th November, so that the excuse for non-delivery was a very stupid one: and the suggestion that defendant refused delivery because he scented a rise in price in the immediate future is more than refuted by the fact that on the 24th Nov. defendant sold at $1.85 a bag. The balance of the weight of evidence and the probabilities of the case incline me to decide that plaintiff did not apply for delivery in person and tender the price within the 14 days limited by the contract. The question then for the Court is whether, according to the true construction of the contract, time was of the essence of the contract. At law time was always of the essence of the contract, but in equity time is held to be of the essence of the contract only in cases of direct stipulation or of necessary implication. But this rule of equity only applied to contracts 'such as purchases and sales of land where, unless a contrary intention could be collected from the contract, the court presumed that time was not an essential condition; to apply this to mercantile contracts could be dangerous and unreasonable' Reuter v. Sala 4 C.P.D. 249. Again 'if the parties choose, even arbitrarily, to stipulate for a particular thing to be done at a particular time, such a stipulation is effectual in equity as well as at law.' The question whether time is of the essence of the contract depends upon the nature of the goods sold, upon the construction of the contract and upon the objects which the parties had in entering into it or upon what must be judicially assumed to have been their intention; for that may sometimes be different from their actual intention (per Grove J. in Patrick v. Milner 2 C.P.D. at pp. 347.348). The goods in this case consisted of flour, a commodity which deteriorates with keeping, especially in a climate like that of this Colony. The nature of the goods then points to the probability that a time would be fixed within which delivery should be taken or given. Again, the nature of the goods necessitates storage involving godown rent; and this indicates the probability of a fixed time for removal having been present in the minds of the parties at the time of making the contract. Was the object of the contract merely the transfer of a certain number of bags of flour within an indefinite but reasonable period? If land is sold, the main object is to transfer the premises, and the time within which the contract is to be completed is not of essential importances. Why? because the price of land is not likely to fluctuate and the properties of land are not likely to vary within a reasonable period of time. But here we are dealing with a commodity subject, as the evidence shows, to fluctuations in price; and it seems probable that the parties would guard against such fluctuations by limiting a time beyond which they should not be exposed to such fluctuations. Turning now to the contract itself. The language is emphatic and says 'Delivery shall be taken within 14 days' which points strongly to a limit of time being fixed. It was argued, however, that the subsequent words 'if no delivery is taken after the time has expired,' express that it was within the contemplation of the parties that the time of taking delivery might be exceeded, and that, therefore, the parties did not intend to make time of the essence of the contract. I agree so far that the parties did by these words contemplate a possibility of the time being exceeded: but I do not agree that the parties because they contemplated such a contingency, did the less intend to settle the time for taking delivery. The parties appear to me to have said 'the vendee must take delivery within a fixed period: if he fail to take delivery the contract will be at an end and the vendor will have certain remedies.' At first blush, it may appear as if it was the intention of the parties to keep the contract open till the vendor had exercised the remedies which he was to be at liberty to exercise: but I reject this construction because it involves the possibility of the contract remaining open for an indefinite period, a state of things contrary to mercantile modes of business. Had it been stipulated that the vendor was bound to sell the goods on the vendee's behalf and charge him with any loss on the contract price and all expenses of the sale, the Court might have taken the view that the contract was open up to the date of such sale. But this is merely by the way. It is, moreover, noticeable that the remedies reserved to the vendor are the very remedies which he could have enforced by action had time been beyond doubt of the essence of the contract. This fact assists the Court in arriving at a determination of what must be judicially assumed to have been the intention of the parties. There is another straw on the stream and that is that the period of 14 days is an exceedingly reasonable time for the fulfilment of a contract to take delivery of 200 bags of flour: and equity will only give relief, where a time has been fixed, when it appears that what the parties really contemplated was simply that an act should be done within a reasonable time. It was further urged that, assuming that time was originally of the essence of the contract, the vendor had waived this condition precedent and converted it into a warranty by subsequently approaching the vendee and asking him whether he intended to take the flour. Immediately upon the expiration of the 14 days, the vendor, for five or six days in succession, sent an agent to ask the vendee to take delivery: this I find as a fact. Was this such conduct as to operate as an implied waiver of his right to insist on time as being of the essence of the contract? or did it constitute merely a daily offer to the vendee to sell him 200 bags of flour upon condition that he took immediate delivery? If there was an offer to make a new contract in substitution for the former contract, the vendee's ground of action is cut away beneath him because he did not accept the offer. If, however, the vendor's conduct amounted to a waiver of his original right, does there exist any indication of the length of time after which the effect of the waiver would be exhausted? It may not be assumed that the operation of the waiver was never to determine.—Now the parties had had previous dealings with each other, and it is in evidence that the vendor's usage was to allow several days' grace to his customers. A knowledge of this custom may, therefore, be imputed to the vendee: and such knowledge accordingly amounts to a notice by the vendor to the vendee that, upon the expiration of the usual days of grace, he, the vendor, would consider the contract as rescinded if delivery had not been taken. Finding that the vendee did not avail himself of the days of grace but delayed till 12th December, when the price of flour had risen, before sending to take delivery, and that the vendor had held no communication with the vendee for a month previous to that date, I am of opinion even on the construction more favourable to the plaintiff, viz. that defendant has waived his right, that the contract was rescinded upon the expiration of the usual days of grace. Judgment is therefore for defendant with costs.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HOW HONGKONG DIRECTORS SQUANDER MONEY.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.'

Hongkong, Jan. 30, 1897.

SIR,—I notice from an advertisement that Messrs Campbell, Moore and Co. Ltd. have presented to a troupe of Japanese Jugglers the sum of Fifty Dollars by way of *material* congratulations.

This may possibly be within the limits of the Company's Deed of Settlement, but I greatly doubt it, and am very much inclined to think it affords another object lesson of the reckless way in which shareholders' money is occasionally squandered.

The connection between hair-dressing and juggling is not quite apparent, and I daresay the Directors of the Company will be requested to refund.—Your obedient servant,

A SHORN LAMB.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

The following is the Report for presentation to the Shareholders at the Twenty-eighth ordinary meeting, to be held at the Company's Offices on Monday, the 15th February, at noon:—

The Directors have now the pleasure to submit a Statement of the Accounts of the Company for the year ending 31st December last.

1895.—The balance at Credit of Working Account as per last Report was $235,666.14

Deduct Dividend of $3 per Share paid in 1896 ..$60,000.00

Deduct claims under 1895 Policies paid in 1896 ..... 22,342.59

Deduct Return premia, &c. &c. paid in 1896 ..... 2,274.91 84,617.50

Balance of Profit. . . $151,048.64

It is proposed to apportion this sum as follows:—$120,000 to Shareholders as a Final Dividend of $6 per share for the year 1895; $19,198.64 as a Bonus to Contributors of Premia, and the Balance of $11,850 to the Credit of Reserve Fund, which will then stand at $386,850.

1896.—The figures for this year show gratifying results up to the present, the Loss having been exceptionally light, whilst the income derived from Premium and Interest has increased. It is not, however, proposed to pay an *interim* Dividend as in former years but to carry forward the Balance of $267,164.11 and to divide the profits of 1896 when they have actually been ascertained. In view of the fact that Shareholders will now be receiving the usual Dividend of $6 per share the Directors trust that the scheme for placing the Company's Accounts on a sounder basis will meet with their approval. Should this proposal be agreed to the profits of the year will be dealt with at the next Annual Meeting. The Board hope the final results will then admit of their adding a substantial sum to Reserve Fund, which would have been done on this occasion had the former method of distribution of profits been adhered to.

Directors.—Mr C. S. Sharp was invited to fill the vacancy on the Board, and on the departure of Mr J. Kramer from the Colony Mr C. Beurmann was asked to take his place. These appointments require the confirmation of Shareholders. Messrs McConachie and Sassoon retire by rotation, and, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs J. H. Cox and W. H. Potts have audited the annexed Accounts and offer themselves for re-election.

S. C. MICHAELSEN,
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	Previous day 4 p.m.	On date at 10 a.m.	On date at 4 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.84	30.00	29.89
Temperature	75	72	65
Humidity ...	80	75	92
Direction of Wind ...	S	ENE	E
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Rain	—	0.01	—

Highest open air temperature on the 29th..... 79
Lowest open air temperature on the 30th..... 71

F. G. FIGG, *First Assistant.*

Hongkong Observatory, Jan. 30, 1897.

Temperature.

(Taken at *Messrs Falconer & Co.'s premises, Queen's Road.*)

HONGKONG, January 30, 1897.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	...	30.06
Do.	1 P.M.	...	29.96
Do.	4 P.M.	...	—
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	...	72
Do.	1 P.M.	...	70
Do.	4 P.M.	...	—
Do.	(Wet bulb) 9 A.M.		71
Do.	Do. 1 P.M.		68
Do.	Do. 4 P.M.		—
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Do. MINIMUM		...	70

Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *CANTON*.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, January 25, 1897. 175

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Arratoon Apcar* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 1st February, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, at Wanchai.

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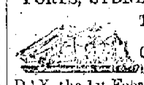
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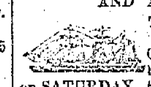
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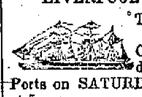
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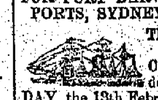
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FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.



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Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1897. 156

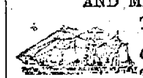
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

(Under Mail Contract).

FOR THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.



The Co.'s Steamship *Omi Maru*, Capt. C. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 16th February, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer is fitted with Superior Passenger Accommodation and is lighted by Electricity throughout. A duly-qualified Doctor is carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, January 27, 1897. 188

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

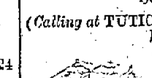
JAPAN BOMBAY-LINE.

MONTHLY SERVICE.

(Under Mail Contract.)

FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO AND BOMBAY

(Calling at TUTICORIN *on the Homeward Voyage).*



The Co.'s Steamship *Miike Maru*, Capt. P. H. GOING, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th February, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, January 27, 1897. 187

Sailing Vessels.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.



The 100 *A.1.* Iron 4-mast British barque *Matterhorn*, Captain J. WILLIAMS, will soon be ready to load for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, November 28, 1896. 2390

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.



The British Barque *Sumbawa*, REHBERG, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, December 7, 1896. 2471

NOTICE.

TO CONSUMERS OF THE

GAELIC WHISKY,

REGISTERED.

IT has come to the knowledge of the STIRLING BONDING COMPANY, LIMITED, of Stirling that certain Persons are, for the sake of extra profit, in the habit of refilling the STIRLING BONDING COMPANY'S BLACK DUMP BOTTLES BEARING the well-known 'GAELIC' Label in Gold, with other Whisky not of their Manufacture, and thus Damaging the Reputation of their Whisky.

I the Undersigned have been instructed by my Clients, the STIRLING BONDING Co., Stirling, to proceed against any such Persons, and the said Company now offers a REWARD OF TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS STERLING for such information as will lead to the conviction of offenders.

H. L. DENNYS,
Solicitor,
64, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

Hongkong, December 31, 1896. 2552

SIEN TING,
Surgeon Dentist,
No. 10, D'AGUILAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.

Hongkong, April 6, 1895. 63*

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

COLOMA, American barque, Captain C. M. Noyes.—Captain.

FORT STUART, British ship, Captain Yaunstone.—Standard Oil Co.

FRED. P. LITCHFIELD, American barque, Captain W. W. Hardy.—Order.

JOHN R. KELLY, American ship, Capt. O. E. Chapman.—Standard Oil Co.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday....	February 2.
Preussen.....	Tuesday....	March 2.
Sachsen.....	Tuesday....	March 30.
Bayern.....	Tuesday ...	April 27.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday...	May 25.

ON TUESDAY, the 2nd day of February, 1897, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *PRINZ HEINRICH*, Captain CUPPERS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 30th Instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 1st February, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 1st January. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 9, 1897. 64

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX;

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *SYDNEY*, Captain AUBERT, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s.s. *Polynésien*, which vessel takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving that Port on the 14th Feb., direct to SUEZ, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 2nd February. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 20, 1897. 148

NORTHERN PACIFIC

STEAMSHIP AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON, $400.

Excellent accommodation. First class Table. DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK, $850.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA, $225.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Braemar.....	3,601	Tuesday.	Feb. 9.
Tacoma.....	2,549	Tuesday.	Mar. 2.
Victoria.....	3,167	Tuesday.	Mar. 23.
Olympia.....	2,603	Tuesday.	April 13.
Braemar.....	3,601	Tuesday.	May 4.

THE Steamship *BRAEMAR*, Captain PORTER, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 9th February, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *viâ* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, January 19, 1897. 149

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE,

VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,

AND

ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	THURSDAY, Feb. 4,	at noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....	TUESDAY, Feb. 23,	at noon.
Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	SATURDAY, March 13,	at noon.

THE Steamship *BELGIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 4th February, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central,

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent,

Hongkong, January 16, 1897. 123

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	SATURDAY, Feb. 13,	at noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via S'hai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Y'hama & H'lulu);	TUESDAY, March 2,	at noon.
City of Peking (via Shanghai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama) ...	TUESDAY, March 23,	at noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship *PERU* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 13th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *viâ* Overland Railway, to Havana Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

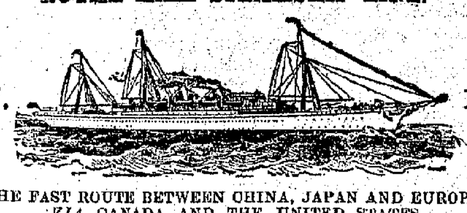
For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 26, 1897. 189

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

1897.  1897.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, *VIA* CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(Calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)

SAFETY—SPEED—PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. C. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 17th Feb./97.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. PYTHUS, R.N.R.....WEDNESDAY, 17th Mar./97.
EMPRESS OF CHINA ...Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 7th April/97.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months £100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition) and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, *General Agent,*
PEDDER STREET.

Hongkong, January 20, 1897. 143

Mails.



STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *MIRZAPORE*, Captain J. F. JEPHSON, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 11th February, 1897, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c, will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, January 28, 1897. 198

Intimations.

Rowland's Macassar Oil

Is the best preserver and beautifier of the hair of children and adults; prevents it falling off or turning grey, eradicates scurf, and is the best hair dressing. A little goes a very long way; it really is most economical for general use; is sold in a golden colour for fair-haired ladies and children; it contains no lead or mineral ingredients, and as it has a most delightful perfume, it is the most luxurious dressing for the hair. Bottles, 3s. 6d., 7s., 10s. 6d.

ROWLANDS' KALYDOR.

A soothing, healing and emollient milk for the face and hands, and is most cooling and refreshing to the skin in hot climates; it removes freckles, tan, sunburn, roughness and redness of the skin, pimples, cutaneous eruptions, etc., soothes and heals prickly heat, stings of insects, eczema, burns, and all cutaneous irritation more effectually than any other preparation, and produces soft fair skin, and a lovely delicate complexion; it is warranted harmless, and free from any lead or poisonous ingredients.

Bottles, 2s. 3d. and 4s. 6d.

ROWLANDS' ODONTO

Is a pure, fragrant non-gritty tooth powder, and warranted free from acids or other ingredients which destroy the enamel; it whitens the teeth, prevents and arrests decay, strengthens the gums, and gives a pleasing fragrance to the breath. Sold by Druggists and Chemists.

IMPORTANT CAUTION.—Be sure to ask for Rowlands' Macassar Oil, Kalydor and Odonto, of 20, Hatton Garden, London, and see that each article bears their signature in red ink; all others are worthless and poisonous imitations; 100 years prove that Rowlands' are the best and only genuine.

NOTICE.

MR. CH. M. ABERDEEN, 1897 (Also Mrs. Experienced in EYE, EAR, NOSE and THROAT) desires GENERAL PRACTICE, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI or other desirable Chinese port. Has had 2 years experience in China. Willing to accept position as locum tenens.

Apply "MEDICUS," Office of this Paper.

January 9, 1897. 149

Intimations.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED—HONGKONG AGENCY.

ON and after the 28TH JANUARY, 1897, This AGENCY will REMOVE to and Transact Business at its TEMPORARY OFFICE No. —— DES VŒUX ROAD (NEW RECLAMATION GROUND and PRAYA CENTRAL.)

NAO. NABEKRA,
Agent.

Hongkong, January 25, 1897. 176

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the BRANCH Register of the above Company hitherto kept in HONGKONG will be REMOVED to SINGAPORE on the 31st Instant.

By Order of the Board of Directors in London.

C. B. BROOKE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 25, 1897. 174

JAPANESE

FINE ART CURIOS.

KUHN & KOMOR,

21 & 23, Queen's Road, Hongkong;
35, Water Street, Yokohama; and
36, Division Street, Kobe.

A TERRIBLE COUGH.
A TERRIBLE COUGH.
A TERRIBLE COUGH.

"64, Commercial Road, Peckham, July 12.

"Dear Sir,—I am a poor hand at expressing my feelings, but I should like to thank you. Your lozenges have done wonders in relieving my terrible cough. Since I had the operation of 'Tracheotomy' (the same as the late Emperor of Germany, and unlike him, thank God, I am still alive) performed at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, no one could possibly have had a more violent cough: it was so bad at times that it quite exhausted me. The mucous, which was very copious and hard, has been softened, and I have been able to get rid of it without difficulty.—I am, sir, yours truly, J. HILL."

A DOCTOR'S TESTIMONY.
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"South Park, Cardiff, South Wales, Sept. 28, 1893.

"I have, indeed, great pleasure in adding my testimony to your excellent preparation of Cough Lozenges, and I have prescribed it now for the last eight years in my hospitals and private practice, and found it of great benefit. I often suffer from Chronic Bronchitis; your Lozenge is the only remedy which gives me immediate ease. Therefore I certainly and most strongly recommend your Lozenges to the public who may suffer from Catarrh, Bronchitis, Winter Cough, or any kind of Pulmonary Irritation.—Yours truly,

"A. GABRIEL, M.D., L.R.C.P. and L.M. Edinburgh.
L.R.C.S. and L.M. Edinburgh.

USE KEATING'S LOZENGES.
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"IT IS 25 YEARS AGO" since KEATING'S COUGH LOZENGES were first made, and the sale is larger than ever, because they are unrivalled in the relief and cure of Winter Cough, Asthma, and Bronchitis; one alone gives relief.

UTTERLY UNRIVALLED.
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UTTERLY UNRIVALLED.

Keating's Cough Lozenges, the unrivalled remedy for COUGHS, HOARSENESS, and THROAT TROUBLES are sold in Bottles by all Chemists.

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

AT

62, *QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.*

CHADWICK KEW.

(LATE OF POATE & NOBLE.)

Hongkong, December 19, 1896. 2586

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1895, £12,433,131.

Authorised Capital.....	£3,000,000 0 0
Subscribed Capital.....	£2,760,000 0 0
Paid-up Capital.....	£837,500 0 0
Fire Funds.....	£2,601,038 2 9

HAVING been appointed AGENTS of the above Company, we are prepared to Accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1475

UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Instituted in the Reign of Queen Anne A.D. 1714)

CAPITAL FULLY SUBSCRIBED, £450,000.
CAPITAL PAID UP, £180,000.
TOTAL INVESTED FUNDS EXCEED £2,700,000.
TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME, £680,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS of the above Society in Hongkong, are prepared to issue POLICIES against FIRE on the usual terms.

HARRY WICKING & Co.,
Praya Central.

Hongkong, January 27, 1897. 193

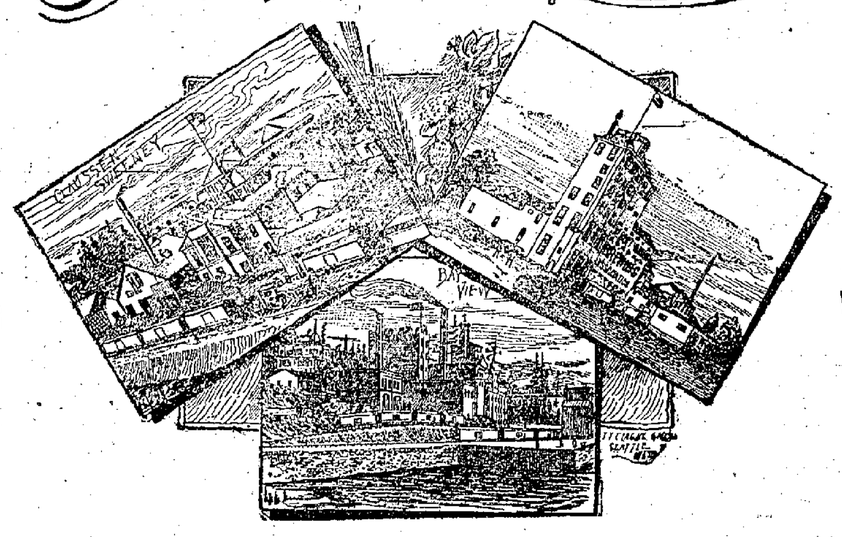
Intimations.

Rainier Beer, Try it!

Rainier Beer, Try it!

AN INVIGORATING TONIC.

SEATTLE BREWING AND MALTING CO.



BREWED FROM WATERS UNSURPASSED FOR PURITY.

A HEALTHFUL AND REFRESHING DRINK.

BREWED ONLY WITH BAVARIAN AND BOHEMIAN HOPS.

REMARKS.

Unsurpassed as a tonic for the ladies. Once tried by them they will agree with the remarks of our other lady friends and continue to patronize us. For the gentlemen it is a cooling and refreshing drink. All who have tried it stand by it. We only ask one trial and will then rest on our merits.

SEATTLE BREWING & MALTING Co.,
HONGKONG BRANCH,
ICE HOUSE LANE.

F. BISHOP,
Acting Manager.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloong shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Section.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellett's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	*Anchorage.*	*Captain.*	*Flag and Rig.*	*Tons nett.*	*Date of Arrival.*	*Consignees or Agents.*	*Destination.*	*Remarks.*
Steamers.								
Altmore	...	Watson	Brit. str.	1497	Jan. 29	Shewan, Tomes & Co	.....	K'loon Dock
Amoy	3 c	Wulff	Ger. str.	~~668~~ 663	Jan. 3	Order		
Arratoon Apear	5 k	Sundberg	Brit. str.	1392	Jan. 29	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	S'pore & Calputta	2nd prox.
Belgic	5 c	Rinder	Brit. str.	2695	Jan. 28	O. & O. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	4th prox.
Benlawers	3 c	Webster	Brit. str.	1483	Jan. 23	Gibb, Livingston & Co.		
Bisagno	5 k	Mancini	Italian str.	1499	Jan. 29	Carlowitz & Co.	Singapore & Bombay	2nd pr. x.
Canton	5 c	Wilde	Brit. str.	1140	Jan. 30	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
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Namoa	5 h	Hall	Brit. str.	862	Jan. 29	Douglas Steamship Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow
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Medals for valour are not, of course, usually judged from their intrinsic worth, but it was interesting to note the actual market value which was set upon some of the best known of these decorations at the sale of Lord David Kennedy's collection at Sotheby's on Dec. 21. Appropriately enough, the highest price for medals of the kind was reached by a Victoria Cross—one awarded to a Private W. Davis, 32nd Regiment, for services rendered on Sept. 27, 1857—but even this could only realise 12*l.* A gold cross of the Legion of honour was not valued at more than 2*l.* 2*s.*, while half a dozen silver crosses of the same order were knocked down for 3*l.* 8*s.* A Distinguished Conduct Medal—awarded to a Thomas Mullory, 19th Regiment—was sold for 6*l.*, and a Navy General Service Medal, awarded to one of Nelson's sailors, and bearing a clasp with the inscription: 'James Bagley, *Victory*, October 21st, 1805'—catalogued 'fine and very rare'—realised but 1*l.* 12*s.* A couple of the Royal Humane Society's medals fetched 2*l.* 15*s.*, while one guinea only bought two silver medals presented about 1839 by the Royal National Institution for the Preservation of Life from Shipwreck. A gilt badge, or star, given to native Indian soldiers, and inscribed, 'Reward of Valour,' realised 5*l.* 5*s.* By far the most valuable property in the collection, however, was an extremely rare group of medals and decoration of a field officer and K.C.B. for the Peninsula campaign, including the gold medal for Vittoria, with clasp for Pyrenees, the Peninsula medal and four clasps, and the badge of a Military Knight of the Order of the Bath, together with two letters from Duke Frederick of York, which accompanied the gold medal. After starting at 50*l.* the bidding closed at 200*l.*, for which price it was bought by Messrs. Spink. The total for the day's sale amounted to 918*l.* 6*s.*

MR. GLADSTONE AND HIS BOOKS.

A CHAPTER OF AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

The forthcoming number of *The Academy* will contain the following letter which Mr Gladstone has recently addressed to Mr Quaritch. Those who are curious to see the caligraphy of this interesting document, which is written in a firm and bold hand, with hardly a correction, will find it reproduced in facsimile in Part VIII. of Mr Bernard Quaritch's 'Contributions towards a Dictionary of English Book Collectors':—

'Hawarden, Sept. 9th, 1896.

'Dear Mr Quaritch,—The regiment of book collectors stands in no need of recruits; and, even if its ranks were thin, I doubt if I am qualified to enlist. I have in my time been a purchaser to the extent of about thirty-five thousand volumes, and I might therefore abide a quantitative test; but, as I fear, no other. A book collector ought, as I conceive, to possess the following six qualifications: Appetite, leisure, wealth, knowledge, discrimination, and perseverance. Of these I have only had two—the first and last, and these are not the most important. Restricted visual power now imposes upon me a serious amount of disability; and, speaking generally, I have retired from the list of purchasers. I am gradually transferring the bulk of my library to the Institution of St. Deiniol's at this place, which I hope to succeed in founding; but I retain certain branches for use, and a few of what are to me treasures, though you would, I apprehend, refuse to most of them a place on your shelves.

'The oldest book I have, that is to say the one longest in my possession, was presented to me personally by Mrs. Hannah More. It is a copy of her "Sacred Dramas," printed and given to me in 1815, eighty-one years ago, and was accompanied with a pretty introductory sentence, of which I remember only the first words. They were these: "As you have just come into this world, and I am just going out of it, allow me," and so forth.

'My purchases commenced a few years after that time, and I have a variety of books acquired at Eton. Among them is a copy of Mr Hallam's "Constitutional History," in quarto, presented to me by his son Arthur, the subject of "In Memoriam," and at that period my dearest friend.

'Book buyers of the present day have immense advantages in the extended accessibility and cheapness of books which, whether in the ancient or modern languages, ought to be considered classical. I have a copy of "The Spectator" in eight volumes octavo, which cost me four pounds; and I hold Scott's Poems in the small volumes at a somewhat longer price. These were both bought in the twenties. The enormous development of the second-hand book trade and the public spirit of many publishers have also been greatly in in favour of book-buyers. In one respect only they have lost ground, and that is in regard to book-binding. It is (as a general rule; I am not complaining in my own case) much dearer than it was 70 and 80 years back, and notwithstanding abolitions of duty and enlarged use of machinery it is generally worse in that vitally important particular, the easy opening of a book. Our case contrasts very unfavourably with cases such as those of France and Italy. (Yet, as I know, good plain binding can still be had at reasonable prices). I showed lately to a friend my copy of the original octavo edition of Scott's earlier novels (down to 'Quentin Durward') in half morocco, with gilt tops. He priced the binding for to-day at four shillings (I think rather too high), but (when at Oxford) the binder charged me two.

'As quantity has been my strongest point, I may without offence refer to it in comparison with quality. An able and learned person of our day bought for his own use twenty thousand volumes. They were examined and valued for sale (which never came off) in London, and it was predicted that he would net from them eight thousand pounds, or a little over two shillings a volume. Nearly at the same time a library of somewhat over half the quantity, but rich in rarities, brought (not at auction) about six pounds a volume.

'Though, as I have said, a beggarly collector, I have had a few specialities. One I will mention. I accumulated more than thirty distinct *rifacciamenti* of the Book of Common Prayer. Many of these had prefaces, which commonly ran to this effect. "The Prayer Book is excellent. But it has some blemishes. Let them be removed, and it will find universal acceptance. Accordingly I have performed this operation, and I now give the Reformed Prayer Book to the world." But I have never obtained, and have never seen, a second edition of any one of these productions. I greatly doubt whether they have usually paid their printer's bill.

'Book collecting may have its quirks and eccentricities. But on the whole it is a vitalising element in a society honeycombed by several sources of corruption. My apology for the poor part I have played in it is that it could only have the odds and ends, the dregs and leavings of my time. And accordingly I am aware that the report which I send you is a very meagre one. To mend it a little I give to this pursuit, in all its walks, from the highest (with which you are of all men the most conversant) downwards, my heartiest good wishes. And that I may not be ungrateful I will apprise you that I still preserve among my most select possessions the beautiful copy on vellum of the Lyttelton-Gladstone translations which you were so good as to present to me.—I remain, very faithfully yours,

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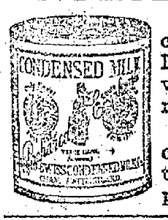
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Beef sirloin & prime cut.	catty	140	—	尾龍扒
,, Corned,	catty	140	—	鹹牛肉
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,, Steak,	,,	140	—	牛肉起
Bullock's Brains,	per set	60	50	牛腦
,, Tongue fresh,	each	—	—	牛脷
,, ,, corned	,,	350	—	鹹牛利
,, Head,	,,	500	—	牛頭
,, Heart,	,,	150	—	牛心
,, Hump, Salt	catty	140	—	牛肩
,, Feet,	each	60	50	牛腳
,, Kidneys,	,,	50	—	牛腰
,, Tail,	,,	100	—	牛尾
,, Liver,	catty	70	—	牛肝
,, Tripe (undressed)	catty	60	50	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet,	set	500	—	牛仔頭腳
Hams, American,	lb.	340	—	花旗火腿
,, Chinese,	,,	—	—	金華火腿
,, English, New,	,,	420	—	來路火腿
,, Japan cured,	,,	260	—	日本火腿
,, Shanghai,	,,	200	—	上海火腿
Mutton Chop,	,,	150	—	羊脾骨
,, Leg,	,,	150	—	羊腳
,, Shoulder,	,,	120	—	羊手
Pigs' Chitlings,	catty	70	60	猪腸
,, Feet,	,,	110	—	猪脚
,, Fry,	,,	160	—	猪雜
,, Head,	each	500	450	猪頭
,, Heart,	,,	50	40	猪心
,, Kidneys,	pair	—	—	猪腰
,, Liver,	lb.	160	—	猪肝
Pork, Chop,	catty	180	—	猪脾骨
,, Corned,	,,	—	—	鹹猪肉
,, Leg,	,,	190	—	猪腳
,, Fat or Lard,	,,	140	—	猪油
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Poultry.				生口
Chicken,	catty	200	—	鷄仔
Capons,	,,	250	—	鷄閹
Ducks,	,,	150	—	鴨
Doves,	each	—	—	鴿
Eggs, Hen	doz.	110	—	鷄蛋
,, Duck	,,	110	—	鴨蛋
Fowls,	catty	170	—	鷄
Geese,	,,	190	—	鵝
Hares,	each	500	—	兎仔
Musk Deer,	,,	$3.00	—	黃麂
Partridges,	,,	350	—	鷓鴣
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Rice Birds,	doz.	—	—	禾花雀
Quail	each	110	—	鵪鶉
Snipe,	,,	170	—	沙鷸
Turkeys, Cock,	catty	550	—	火鷄公
,, Hen,	,,	400	—	火鷄嫲
Teal,	each	300	—	水鴨
Wild Ducks,	pair	$1.00	—	上海水鴨
Fish.				海鮮
Barbel,	catty	160	—	鯶魚
Bream,	,,	50	—	鯛魚
Bombay Ducks,	100 pieces	250	—	孟珠魚
C'ton Fresh Water Fish,	catty	—	—	淡水魚
Carp,	,,	90	—	鯉魚
Catfish,	,,	—	—	赤魚
Codfish, Salt,	,,	—	—	鹹鰽魚
Crabs,	,,	140	—	蟹
Cuttle Fish,	,,	80	—	墨魚
Dab,	,,	60	—	沙盂魚
Dace,	,,	90	—	黃尾鯽
Dog Fish,	,,	—	—	鯊仔沙
Eels, Congor,	,,	—	—	海鰻
,, Fresh water,	,,	200	—	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow,	,,	—	—	黃鰻
File Fish,	,,	—	—	剝皮沖
Frogs,	,,	200	—	田鷄
Fresh Fish,	,,	80	—	鮮魚
Garoupa,	,,	250	—	石斑
Gudgeon,	,,	90	—	白鯪魚
Gurnard,	,,	80	—	紅鬚
Herrings,	,,	100	—	鯡白
,, smoked	box	—	—	熏黃鯡
Halibut,	catty	90	—	比目魚
Labrus,	,,	110	—	黃花魚
Losch,	,,	180	—	鳥魚
Lobsters,	,,	110	—	龍蝦
Mackeral,	,,	—	—	鯖魚
Monk Fish,	,,	—	—	老虎魚
Mullet,	,,	190	—	鯔魚
Oysters,	,,	150	—	生蠔
Parrotfish,	,,	180	—	鸚哥魚
Perch,	catty	90	—	鱸鰽
Pike,	,,	360	—	花鹹魚
Plaice,	,,	300	—	碟魚
Pomfret, White	,,	160	—	白鯧
Pomfret, Black	,,	120	—	黑鯧
Prawns,	,,	180	—	明蝦
Ray,	,,	50	—	琵琶沙
Rock Fish,	,,	80	—	石狗公
Roach,	,,	—	—	鯊魚
Salmon, (Canton),	,,	200	—	馬友魚
Shark,	,,	60	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	,,	100	—	鹹魚
Skate,	,,	60	—	鰩魚
Shrimps,	,,	200	—	蝦
Snapper,	,,	120	—	立魚
Soles,	,,	160	—	龍沙魚
Tench,	,,	—	—	鯇魚
Turbot,	,,	110	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,	,,	200	—	烏魚
Whiting,	catty	—	—	長鯽
White Bait,	,,	90	—	銀魚仔
Fruits.				果子
Apples, (California),	catty	300	—	金山平菓
,, (Tientsin),	,,	—	—	天津平菓
,, (Japan),	,,	—	—	日本平菓
Bananas, fragrant,	,,	30	—	香蕉香蕉
,, (brides),	,,	—	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,	,,	300	—	栗崇
Carambola,	,,	100	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts,	each	50	—	椰子
Ground Nuts,	catty	100	—	花生
Grapes,	,,	170	—	鮮提子
Lemons, China,	,,	60	—	檸檬
,, Peel,	,,	—	—	橘餅
Lichees, Dried,	,,	300	—	荔枝乾
,, Fresh,	,,	—	—	荔枝
Limes,	,,	—	—	檸檬
Mango, (Saigon),	each	—	—	安南芒菓
,, (Manila),	,,	—	—	呂宋芒
Mangosteen,	dozen	—	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet,	catty	60	—	新會甜橙
,, Green,	,,	40	—	青橙
,, Red,	,,	100	—	紅橘
Olives,	,,	80	—	白欖
Pine-apples,	each	50	—	本地波蘿
Pears,	catty	—	—	沙梨
,, (Tientsin),	,,	150	—	天津雪梨
Pumelo,	each	100	—	碌柚
,, (Siam),	catty	100	—	暹羅柚
Peach, (Sweet),	,,	—	—	蜜桃
Raisins, Muscatel,	,,	—	—	葡萄乾
,, Pudding,	,,	—	—	葡萄
Water Chestnuts, com.	,,	40	—	馬蹄
,, Mandarin,	,,	60	—	官林馬蹄
Walnuts,	,,	100	—	合桃
Vegetables, &c.				菜蔬
Artichokes, Shanghai,	catty	40	—	上海丁治竹
Beans, (French),	,,	70	—	佛蘭西邊豆
,, Long,	,,	—	—	豆角
Beet Root,	each	20	—	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,	catty	30	—	青茄子
,, Red,	,,	30	—	紅茄
Brassica,	,,	20	—	白菜
Bamboo Shoots,	,,	160	—	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese com.	,,	20	—	大菜
Cabbage, Shanghai,	each	40	—	椰菜
Cauliflower,	,,	50	—	椰菜花
Carrots,	catty	50	—	蘿蔔
Celery, Chinese,	,,	30	—	芹菜
,, English,	,,	50	—	洋芹菜
Chilies Dried,	,,	130	—	辣椒乾
,, Red,	,,	110	—	紅花帥
Curry Stuff, English,	,,	40	—	咖喱材料
Cucumbers,	,,	—	—	青瓜
Bitter Squash,	,,	—	—	苦瓜
Garlic,	,,	60	—	蒜頭
Ginger, young,	,,	50	—	新子薑
Horse Radish, S'hai,	,,	120	—	刀根
Indian Corn,	,,	—	—	粟米
Lettuce, (English),	each	10	—	洋生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh,	catty	—	—	生草菇
Onions, Bombay,	,,	60	—	洋蔥頭
,, Green,	,,	30	—	生蔥
,, Shanghai,	,,	—	—	上海蔥頭
,, Japan,	,,	40	—	日本蔥頭
Okroes,	,,	140	—	毛角
Parsley, English,	bundle	10	—	洋芫荽
Potatoes, Sweet,	catty	20	—	番薯仔
,, Shanghai,	,,	—	—	上海薯仔
,, Japan,	,,	20	—	日本薯仔
,, American,	,,	—	—	花旗薯仔
,, Foochow,	,,	30	—	福州薯仔
,, Macao,	,,	30	—	澳門薯仔
Pumpkin,	,,	20	—	番瓜
Puraline,	,,	—	—	青仔菜
Papaw,	,,	25	20	木瓜
Radish,	dozen	20	—	紅蘿白仔
Rice, best quality, per picul,		$4.60		上白米
,, Common ,, ,,		$4.10		中白米
Shalots,	catty	40	—	蔥頭
Spinage, (Chinese)	,,	—	—	菠菜
Spinach,	,,	80	—	菠菜
Snake Gourd,	,,	40	—	蛇瓜
Tomatoes,	,,	40	—	番茄
Taros,	,,	80	15	芋頭
Turnips, Punti, (Long),	each	10	—	蘿白
Vegetable Marrow,	catty	—	—	節瓜
,, ,, (Long),	,,	—	—	長節瓜
Water Cresses,	,,	80	—	銅鏡菜

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